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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 90th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Reverend Gerry Comstock, Unity Church, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend Comstock.

THE REVEREND GERRY COMSTOCK:

(Prayer by the Reverend Gerry Comstock)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing 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 Journal of Wednesday, April 23rd and Thursday, April 24th, in the year 1997, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

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 Fitzgerald, Chair of the Committee on State Government Operations, reports House Bills 28, 277, 424, 909 and 1529 Do Pass.

Senator Klemm, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports House Bills 904, 923, 1006 and 1492 Do Pass; House Bill 473 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Joint Resolution 22 Be Adopted.

And Senator Sieben, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports House Bills 1051, 1094 and 1289 Do Pass.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bills 61, 62, 164, 165, 289, 1087, 1422, 1613, 1627, 1730, 228, 724, 762, 891, 920, 922, 1088, 1194, 1493, 1543, 2047 and 2152.

All passed the House, April 24th, 1997.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

House Bills 1st Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 53, offered by Senators Dudycz and Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 61, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 144, offered by Senator Bowles.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 164, offered by Senator Karpel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 228, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 234, offered by Senator Butler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 295, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 528, offered by Senator Peterson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 601, offered by Senator Peterson.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 602, offered by Senator Maitland.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 646, offered by Senator Maitland.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 760, offered by Senator DeLeo.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 759, offered by Senator DeLeo.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 762, offered by Senator Molaro.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 791, offered by Senator DeLeo.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 891, offered by Senator Geo-Karis.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 920, offered by Senators Dillard and Mahar.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 922, offers -- offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 955, offered by Senator DeLeo.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1001, offered by Senator Bowles.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1088, offered by Senator Cullerton.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1141, offered by Senator Bowles.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1155, offered by Senator DeLeo.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1176, offered by Senator Farley.  
(Secretary reads title of bill)  
House Bill 1207, offered by Senator Dillard.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1210, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1239, offered by Senator Mahar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1252, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1255, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1356, offered by Senator Luechtefeld.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1386, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1400, offered by Senator Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1408, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1422, offered by Senator Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1493, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1500, offered by Senator Butler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1573, offered by Senator Weaver.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1613, offered by Senator Parker.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1468 {sic} (1668), offered by Senator Bowles.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1684, offered by Senator Syverson

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1805, offered by Senator Cronin.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2121, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2147, offered by Senator Obama.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2179, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2214, offered by Senator Karpiel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

(House Bill 2223.)

(Bill within parentheses inadvertently not read into record, but submitted in writing.)

House Bill 165, offered by Senator Karpiel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 333, offered by Senator Severns.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1354, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of those bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Parker, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PARKER:

For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

State your privilege -- personal privilege.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank -- thank you, Madam President. I'm very proud and honored to have up in the President's Gallery Westbrook School who is here from Glenview, and we would like to have them rise and be recognized.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Welcome to the students of Westbrook School, and their

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teachers. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 54, offered by Senator Smith and all Members.

It's a death resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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

SENATOR LAUZEN:

During this lull, Madam President, I'd just like a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

In the President's Gallery, on the Republican side, we have a guest here today. I'd like to introduce my friend and constituent, John Kador. He is a recent author his most -- his most recent book is The Manager's Book of Questions. And John is such a nice guy that he actually listens to the answers. So he's an expert on the questions that you ask in interviews. So I'd like to welcome John Kador.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Welcome to the Senate, Mr. Kador. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Madam President. I'd like the record to reflect that Senator Garcia is not here today. He had to go back to his district for some legislative business.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

It'll be so noted. ...page 18 of today's Calendar is the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Senate Resolution 20, I believe, is the first one. Senator del Valle? Next one. Senator

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Klemm. Senate Resolution 49. Senator Klemm. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 49, offered by Senator Klemm.

There are no committee or Floor amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Resolution 49 is identical to Senate Resolution 21 that we had passed earlier, and what it does is it creates a Task Force on Election Activities and Reform. As you recall, we had a task force that we wanted to look into campaigns and election reform. It's a big issue that's important to all of us. This would form the bipartisan task force of six members. It does include some expenditure of funds for staff and hiring consultants and contractual agreements, and that's the reason we do need a roll call vote on this particular resolution, rather than a voice vote we took earlier. So I do ask for your support so we can continue this dialogue and have the task force look at this important subject, and I do ask for a roll call vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Collins. Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yes, Senator, we had a Floor amendment filed to this resolution. I had spoken to Senator Klemm about it, and you indicated that there was no Floor amendment. I don't recall it being withdrawn.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

No Floor amendment has been approved.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Oh, I'm sorry. It's in Rules. Then let me speak to the -- to

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the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I don't think anyone here would like to see or recognize the necessity of -- of our doing something about campaign finance reform in this State anymore so than I do. We need to do that, and it's -- it's no doubt about it. But what we need to do is to ensure the people of this State that -- or, give them the trust and confidence that we are serious about meaningful campaign finance reform and, (b), that we want -- by eliminating the politics out of it. And -- and this amendment, if you look at it, it is structured in a way that it is totally dominated by one party. It ought to be totally, totally nonpartisan, and in order to do that, we have proposed an amendment to make it equal in terms of the number of Democrats and the number of Republicans. And the amendment has been bottled up in the Rules Committee, which gives me the -- the feeling that we are not sincere about campaign finance reform, and I have some questions of the sponsor, given that this amendment was not give an opportunity to come out of Rules. And first of all, Senator Klemm, what do you expect us to do? Could you just kind of explain the function of this task force and what we hope to accomplish by November 1st?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, thank you, Senator Collins. As you know, as I answered before, I -- I would like to see this task force look at all these problems that have been presented to us by you and others and myself. Many of us have -- through the years, have introduced legislation. Rather than a piecemeal, Band-Aid approach, I think that sometimes has been taken, I'd like to see a more



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comprehensive approach and have bipartisanship so that we would be able to pass legislation. As you know, a few years ago, I had legislation that laid on the table here because everybody was nitpicking a part of it that they couldn't support, so we didn't move it. I think what we need is a consensus, and that's what I think this will do. As you notice, we also have a deadline of a reporting date of November 1st, 1997, so that we would have ample time to take care of any recommendations that the task force would make in the Veto Session. So I think we have the mechanism and the time frame that would meet with everyone's approval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Senator -- Senator Klemm, I -- I agree with you that if -- if we have any hope for passing meaningful campaign reform, then it will have to be a consensus. Well, you cannot have a consensus until we eliminate the politics from the whole process. If you have three Democrats and three Republicans, the possibility that that consensus can be reached, and we can move on with the hopes that the House would do the same thing. Without that, you're not going to have an agreement. You're going to have the Republicans selectively deciding what legislation -- what -- what's going to go into the reform package, with the Democrats being outvoted. So you're going to have the same thing that we have now, and that's the reason why we have not passed meaningful campaign finance reform. The people out there want it. It is time to do it. We have a responsibility and obligation to do it, and we're not going to accomplish it, I don't think, through this process. And for that reason, I'm going to have to oppose the -- the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Klemm, to close.

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SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, you know, there are many reasons why people don't want to see campaign legislation come forth. One of them obviously could be, "Well, we don't have enough input." "It doesn't include everything we'd like to have." And I know we don't live in a perfect world, but I had introduced earlier a resolution - a joint resolution - that would have bipartisan support by House and -- and Senate Members. But I find that the other side of the Rotunda, they weren't interested in having that, so I moved ahead with a Senate resolution that I think is necessary. We have to have some movement on some of this legislation. If I have a tie vote on everything, nothing happens, and of course, that's certainly one way to stifle it. So for those of you who don't want to see campaign reform, or elections, then, obviously, vote against this. I understand that, and I can count that as a negative vote for trying to help us move this process along. For those of you who believe that we're sincere and want to try to do something, I would ask for your support. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm?

SENATOR KLEMM:

And in further closing, I -- I think, here's an opportunity to have every Member, if they wish, to submit their suggestions. I have on my desk a file - it must be three inches thick - of suggestions that have come from a task force that came through last year, that came to me and said, "We need some help on this legislation." And when I look at the legislation that I am partly a sponsor on on many of the pieces, I'm delighted to have these legislative efforts moved. But if we don't move 'em or if we don't complete the picture and complete the process, this task force, I hope, will do that job. I can -- our intention, at least would be mine, and I can perceive that this would have hearings throughout

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the State - Springfield, downstate, Chicago, other areas - so that we can get all the interested parties involved in order to move this process and give their suggestions, and then we can massage the ideas and come up with something that will pass. Through the years we have had great ideas, but nothing comes out of the Chamber because we don't seem to get that consensus. We also have to look, I think, at some of the federal implications that have come through funding. As you know, one of the things that are happening today in the press and the newspapers and every time I turn on the TV is the -- the wrongful diversion of foreign dollars coming into federal coffers, filtering down to local races from foreign interests. And that's certainly something that I think the American public and the people in Illinois certainly resent, of having this influence coming in by selling some of the problems we have. I think the task force should be looking at things such as that. I think what we are interested in are clean elections, campaign reform that people understand, that allows candidates to have their -- their day, if you will, to get their message out to their voters so they know who they can vote for, but eliminate the hanky-panky that has been going on in prior years. I know none of us are doing it, so I know you'll support this because I know how urgently you need some reform on these area. One of the reasons we're continually wanting to move this process is because we want it open, we want to put the light of day into this process so that everybody has an opportunity, so that the press can join us and give us suggestions and to open this up. I think a little bit of daylight on the election and campaign reform process is certainly what we're looking for, and I certainly would like to ask you to do it. Now, for those of you who don't want to do that and keep it in the dark, obviously you're going to oppose this resolution. That's your choice and we'll have to act on -- on -- from that, from that point on.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Dudycz, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Well, thank you, Madam President. Just regarding the Senate resolution, I stand in support and I join Senator Klemm's efforts to have everyone support Senate Resolution 49. We passed this resolution previously on a voice vote, but because of the expenditure of monies that is needed, the Senator has graciously presented it before the Body again and we need a recorded vote. And I would hope that we would all unanimously vote for it again. I think the -- the explanation was clear enough, but if it's not clear enough, I'll be more than happy to give my interpretation of what the Senate resolution does. It has -- simply requires five Members of the -- of the Senate to join in a task force to study campaign finance reform. This is not going to be something that is going to be firm or going to require anybody to have any specific legislation, but to study and to listen to all options, like to listen from all the special interest groups, from the citizens, as well as Members of both parties, and see how we can improve the -- the finance -- the... Can I have some...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

It would be nice if we could listen to the speaker so we'll understand what he has to say, so that you won't be in a quandary later. Senator -- Senator Weaver? Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Madam President. I wonder if we could stand at ease for a few minutes for a -- the purpose of a Rules Committee meeting.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Your request is in order. Senator Weaver -- I mean, Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

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Yes, thank you, Madam President. Then I would ask leave if I can continue my remarks after the Rules Committee meeting. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

You will be so granted. We'll stand at ease for a few minutes for the purpose of the Rules Committee.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Dudycz. If we could have some order in the Senate. When we broke for the Rules meeting, we were debating Senate Resolution 49, and we interrupted Senator Dudycz in order to have the Rules meeting. So, Senator Dudycz. If I can get order in the House. May we have your attention. Senator Dudycz has the Floor.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Resolution 49 is a good resolution. I urge everyone to listen to Senator Klemm's closing remarks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Yes. I had a question of the sponsor on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

He has a question for you, Senator -- Klemm. He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Klemm, you are asking for wide-ranging powers for this

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committee. You're asking that the task force employ staff, hire consultants, enter in contractual arrangements through the Senate Operations Commission to conduct its investigation and research. And I'm wondering just what the point of this is. Now, you just mentioned the use of foreign money in local races. Can you point out a particular race in the last election where there was money from outside this country used?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, yes, we do feel that - I do, at least - that we need to seriously address the concerns - and not just maybe have a -- a subcommittee of a -- of a standing committee - that we should have staff that can provide the answers to some of the questions you're asking me now. That's why we're having staff from both sides to be able to look at the investigations and look at the problems that we've heard on television or read in the papers. Rather than take innuendos, I'd rather have people who can, perhaps, follow this through, and it may cost us some money. I think it's interesting that we're willing to go to this extreme, if you will, to see that the job is done correctly. I think that's in evidence of the seriousness that I really have for this resolution, and I hope you would join that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Well, that is an absolutely amazing answer, to me. I asked you to name one campaign, one campaign in the entire State, that money was used from outside of America. You can't name one, but you said, because I asked you, there are concerns. Well, my concerns are that you're raising a red herring. That's my concern. This is an attempt to have a wide-ranging investigation

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for political purposes. You have no evidence. All you have are rumors. Are we going to start creating task forces and spending taxpayer money to investigate rumors? That doesn't make sense. Exactly what is the task force going to investigate? Are they going -- you know, we've got bills that have come over from the House, we've got bills that require more disclosure. Are we going to investigate that issue, Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

One of the suggestions was that, can you assure that no money has ever done -- come into the campaigns. I don't know, and I think that's one of the -- one of the areas that maybe people have suggested that we look at. But really we're looking at election and campaign reforms, locally, to find out what's happening here and how we spend our monies and how they're used properly. I've got, already, legislators asking me that they'd like to testify on things that have happened that were wrong, that shouldn't be allowed. These are the things that we're talking about. I -- if the committee and the task force finds that there's evidence of -- of any wrongdoing, we're trying to find legislation to prevent that from happening. This is not a witch-hunt. It's just one area they may wish to look at. It's a very all-encompassing task force, for once, to look at what we need to do. I wish you would join me, but obviously if you don't, that's your choice. If you don't believe we need this, then fine. You -- you have a choice to vote against it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Well, thank you for giving me those options, Senator, but we also have a choice of voting out the bills that came over from the

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House. We have that choice, too, but you won't let us vote on those because you have heard a rumor that maybe we should investigate foreign money. I don't understand that. Why can't we just vote on bills like we normally do? People know what's in those bills coming from the House. We've got a lot of sponsors. I sponsored some bills to do what the House did, but you sent them to a subcommittee. And what's the subcommittee going to do? Reading your -- your resolution, I think it goes beyond the scope of the duties and authority of the State Senate itself. It says that we can investigate federal elections. It says, on the first page, line 17 through 23, "RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that there is created the Task Force on Election Activities and Reform to study the evolution of campaign organization and finance activities in federal, State, and local elections in Illinois..." Well, why are we studying federal elections as a State Legislature? I think that's beyond the realm of what we should be doing. I think there are federal committees that can study those, and we shouldn't be spending our money doing that. What is the point of that provision, Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, I think we all know that there's cooperation between federal and State campaign organizations, and obviously if there's anything that's inappropriate, we should be looking at that. And -- and -- and I disagree with your allegations that I have taken bills and put them in a subcommittee. My committee has not done that, Senator. You're aware of that. So I would like you to at least keep the record straight. I also am sponsoring many of those bills that are coming over, and if you don't like it, you don't have to get nasty about it.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Welch, have you finished?

SENATOR WELCH:

I'm not getting nasty, but somehow my election reform bills ended up in a subcommittee, and you're chairman of the full committee. So I don't know how they got there. Maybe you could tell me. How did -- how did my bills end up in that subcommittee? 'Cause I didn't voluntarily put them there.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

I think, Senator, if I might suggest, that you keep your comments to the issue at hand. Senator Welch, I would appreciate it if you would keep your comments to the issue at hand. Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

This is the issue at hand. This is very much the issue at hand. We have bills in the Senate that are not allowed to be heard. We have bills coming over from the House that are not allowed to be heard. Now we have to appoint a task force to investigate what to do when the House of Representatives has already voted to send over bills to do just what the task force is going to investigate. Seems to me that we're trying to study this to death when we already have bills that we can vote on, put in effect so they would go in effect right away to reform campaigns, instead of studying it so that it won't take effect for the next election. It seems to me that we're going pretty far afield, creating a -- a task force with State contracts for investigators. We already have a commission with Paul Simon and -- and former Governor Stratton on it, investigating this. You know, it's -- it's the idea of studying the issue to death that is going to happen here. So -- if Senator Klemm thinks I offended him, I -- I certainly apologize. I wasn't trying to be nasty. I'm just wondering why we're not doing something within the next four

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weeks. You know, it's very frustrating. We keep seeing subcommittees, we keep seeing task force. It's like education reform. We've been studying it to death. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Collins, for a second time. Would you make it brief?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yes. Thank you, Madam President. And I -- I apologize for the second time, but Senator Dudycz actually triggered my remarks, and Senator Welch basically raised all of the issues that -- that I was concerned about. Because it was my understanding, Senator Klemm, that this task force's responsibility -- primary responsibility was not to investigate but, in fact, to take all of the legislation that's in subcommittee and that's in Rules, that's coming over from the House, both House and Senate bills, and take -- look at that and try and -- to arrive at a consensus of what was the best aspects of those bills to be put into one bill or one package of campaign reform -- meaningful campaign reform so that we would not deal with it in a piecemeal kind of way. Now, from Senator Dudycz's explanation and from your questions -- responses to Senator Welch, this task force is not about campaign reform at all. This task force is going out and do some investigations, some hearings. What are we going to be investigating? You know, this is a way to just get around the issue of biting the bullet and doing what we know that we have a responsibility to do and that the citizens of this State is demanding of us to do. This is a delay, Senator. I don't think that's your intent, but that's going to be the results.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Klemm, to close, hearing none.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, I think the Senator really summarized what I'm trying to

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do, is consolidate and look at some of the campaign, election reforms that we want to do. Obviously if there is wrongdoings done in our campaign PAC groups or anything else, obviously I think this task force has every right to look into it. I'm not looking at it as a witch-hunt; I'm not looking at it as investigating and flying to Washington and going around the world. Of course not. I think all those questions are being blown out of -- out of context, and it's not the intent. To say that we don't have any intent to do anything, I have a reporting date that it should be done by November 1st. That's enough time to have legislation on both sides drafted and worked together. If I didn't want to be successful in this, I could have had any kind of reporting date, I could have excluded some of the important things that they should be looking at. I did not do that. And I want all of us to be part of it. I hope you will join with me, for those of you who are concerned about campaign and election reform. For those of you who are not, then vote No and try to explain that vote. I am sincere in trying to do a decent job. I'm not out for anybody's hide, so please support it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

On this question, there will be a roll call vote. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On this question, there are 39 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 16 voting Present. And this resolution, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Committee Reports, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Re-referred from the Executive Committee to the Committee on Rules - House

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Bill 978; referred to the Committee on Education - House Bills 53, 190, 680, 1525 and 1751; to the Committee on Environment and Energy - 260, 646, 1112, 1144, 1174, 1229, 1239, 1457 and 1573; to the Committee on Executive - 475, 483, 606, 678 and 1450; to the Committee on Financial Institutions - 1168, 2210, 2211; to the Committee on Insurance and Pensions - 110, 161, 1400 and 2226; to the Committee on Judiciary - 127, 545, 710, 951, 1140, 1186, 1211, 1252, 1426, 1433, 1550, 1619, 1705 and 2178; to the Committee on Licensed Activities - 891, 1126, 2215 and 2236; to the Committee on Local Government and Elections - 353, 768, 978, 1007 and 1293; to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare - 918, 1080 and 1446; to the Committee on Revenue - 1802; to the Committee on State Government Operations - 1212, 2223 and 2225; and to the Committee on Transportation - 745 and 1169 - all House bills; Sponsorship Change Approved pursuant to Rule 5-1(c) - House Bill 577, Senator Myers is the new sponsor; and Be Approved for Consideration - the motion to concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Can we have a little order, please. Senator Bowles, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BOWLES:

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, the -- the Present button was pushed on my voting mechanism on Senate Rule -- Senate Resolution 49, and I would like the record to show that I would vote -- that I voted Yes, had I been -- had it been properly voted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The record will be so noted for you, Senator Bowles. Thank you. Senator Carroll has requested that the Body return to the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading, on appropriation bills. On the Order of 2nd -- hearing no objection, his motion is recognized.

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On the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading, on page 2 of today's Calendar, is Senate Bill 1177. Senator Carroll. Would you read the bill, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1177.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Carroll. 3rd Reading. On page 4 of today's Calendar is the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, appropriations bills. Senate Bill 1127. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Clerk -- Mr. Secretary, will you please read the bill?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1127.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam Speaker {sic}, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1127 contains the Governor's requested supplemental. It transfers funds between funds and agencies to allow him to complete the FY '97 budget. The total is eighty-one million dollars: forty-nine million eight hundred and thirty-six thousand General Revenue; thirty-one million three hundred and thirty-one thousand in other revenues. I'd be happy to answer questions of the Members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall -- shall Senate Bill 1127 be -- be -- be approved. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wished? Have all

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voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1128. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Secretary, will you read the bill?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1128.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. We've reached the Senate deadline on appropriation bills, and it's time to move shell bills out into the process. We've begun some discussions with the House, as well as the Executive Branch. We -- we're working on a five-way process this year, together with Appropriation chairmen and approp negotiators for the House. I would request the favorable votes of the Body to move shell bills out so that we're prepared, as we go through the process on the budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none... Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. Thank you very much, Madam President. Just questions to the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Senator Rauschenberger, in this past few weeks, we've had this great opportunity to work together and we've put forth several

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bills, not only the vehicles for the Republicans, but we also had three shell bills for the Democrats. Will we be hearing that legislation today, as well, or at least passing that legislation over to the House?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The -- the Democrat shell bills will be called for 3rd Reading. If you -- if you want to move them, that's certainly your prerogative. At this time, it's our thought that we only need to move Majority bills over. If we were to need additional shells, we would have to go back and change the deadline date on the bills to -- to move out additional shell bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Okay. But we wouldn't have to change the deadline date if we moved forth the three bills that we have already agreed upon in committee. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

That is correct. If the Body were to vote to move all of the shell bills, we wouldn't need to change the deadlines.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

If I could, I'd give my -- remainder of my time to, I think, the President -- our President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator -- Senator Jones, he...

SENATOR JONES:

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Yeah. Thank you, Madam President. I'd just query the -- the sponsor of the Senate Bill 1128, as relate to -- to shell bills and also in your remarks in explaining how the five -- that the four caucuses have been meeting on the appropriation in -- in a spirit of cooperation. And so -- and following what Senator Trotter had to say, in the spirit of cooperation, if you were genuinely sincere, so therefore, the shell bills that the Democrats are sponsoring in this appropriation process, are you going to be supportive of them equally as well, or are you just going to be very partisan in this whole process and all the meetings that have been taking place are really for naught? Are you going to be that partisan, or are you going to live up to the remarks that you just got through making that everyone has been sitting around the table working out a budget that all parties would be involved in? And so, I'd like to know, from this side of the aisle, are we meeting just to be meeting, or are we really going to live up to the words you just got through saying, in a spirit of cooperation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Jones, it -- it is -- I intend to be as bipartisan as possible. I intend to be as bicameral as possible. And I hope, in the end, that we have the cooperation of the Executive Branch, as well. This year's budget, in my opinion, does not to be -- appear to be, at this point anyway, very fractious. I welcome the participation of Senator Trotter in the discussions. I think those are meaningful and real discussions. At issue today is -- is how many shell bills we move out. I don't want to mislead you: It's -- it's our -- it's my intent today only to vote for the four shell bills I sponsor. And hopefully we -- we won't need any additional ones, but I -- I certainly hope we can continue to move



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forward, and I think Senator Trotter is doing a tremendously good job.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Well, I mean, just in response to what you had to say, Senator. You really want to be very partisan, and -- and you're not really meeting in good faith, and... Because of your own words, then if you were working in a bipartisan manner, then you'd say we wish to support all the shell bills and send them over, and we would continue to work toward the end in a bipartisan manner to resolve the issue. But when -- but when you -- when you indicate that you only intend to vote for bills that you are sponsoring, then your words really are -- are meaningless, and I would suggest to you, as we move toward the conclusion of this process, that you live up to what you really meant, and that is, you tend to work in a bipartisan manner. And I -- I would urge you to vote for the bills that Senator Trotter is sponsoring, because one of those universities is in my area, and I'd like to see that bill pass. But -- but then you're going to be partisan on that issue, then you're not acting in good faith, for your side of the aisle or for this side of the aisle.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Indicates that he will.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, I thought I heard you use the number four as the number of shell bills you have. As I look at the Calendar, it

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appears you have eight, and the -- the -- the reason I bring that discrepancy up is, I would hope you'd pass all eight, because I would like some assurance that we're not going to see a single-bill budget this year. I think we ought to have a -- a budget for every agency. We ought to do this in a bipartisan manner. And -- and, is there some reason you're not going to pass all eight shells?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator, I appreciate the question. Let me clarify, to the extent I can. And -- and also, for Senator Jones, historically, since I've been Appropriation Chairman, due to the way the House sees the world, the -- the budgets have tended to come to us on House bills because, for some reason, they attach a great deal of importance to being the sponsors of the bills. It's -- it's our staff's best determination that four shell bills would be enough for the Senate to send over. The fifth bill we'll move deals with Senator Woodyard's transition money for his family. It is our intent and hope, and I -- I can almost give a -- it's a firm commitment of the chairman, to try to bring the budget back to this Chamber in multiple bills. I -- I -- realistically, I -- I can't promise or don't think that we'll be doing a bill for every agency. But the hope and the expectation is to have three or four or maybe five bills, as we try to work that out with the other Chamber. There's interest in both Chambers, and -- and I appreciate the question. Be happy to answer an additional one.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I would appreciate an Aye vote on -- this is a -- this --

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these bills are shell bills. This is part of the process. I think it is a bipartisan process still. Senator Trotter has done a magnificent job for your side. This is about just the next step. So I would appreciate favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1128 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On -- on that question, there are 37 Ayes, 1 voting Nay, 18 voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senator Butler, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR BUTLER:

For purposes of an announcement, please. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to introduce a group of outstanding young people from my district. These are the young ladies and gentlemen from Our Lady of Wayside School in Arlington Heights, and I'd ask you to welcome them, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

We welcome you here and hope you enjoy your stay. Senate Bill 1129. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Secretary. 1129.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill is the same issue as the last one, and I would recommend, again, an Aye vote, and hopefully we could just go with the same debate on the record.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1129 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 38 voting Aye, none voting No, 14 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1130. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Secretary, will...

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1130.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill is the same as the previous two -- oh, no...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

No. I'm... No, no, no. I'm sorry. This -- apology -- this bill is the settlement for Senator Woodyard's family. It's the customary death benefit that the -- we need to appropriate to the -- to the Comptroller's Office. I would urge a unanimous roll call on this bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. Can you give a little more detail on that, please, Senator Rauschenberger?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Trotter, on the death of a Member, the family of the Member is entitled to the Senator's salary for the -- the balance of their term -- their stipend, and this -- and their stipend. This -- this settles that account with the Woodyards -- family.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1130 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those against, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Madam President. Just a -- a procedural observation. Since I've been here, I've always said we should change the title of these bills when the nature of the bill completely changes, and that was a key example of exactly what I was talking about. That bill was up there as the Illinois Gaming Board. It makes no sense whatsoever to be something totally different for our good friend, Babe. It should have had what -- what it was about, and I pray that this Body will one day see the logic in putting up the change of the titles when they change so drastically.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Hendon, the classification in the -- in your Calendar says "Appropriates funds to the State Comptroller." Senate Bill 1131. Senator Rauschenberger. 1131? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1131.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. This, again, returns -- this is another procedural shell. I would urge the Body to give it favorable consideration so we can continue the budget process.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1131 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote No -- Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 43 voting Aye, none voting No, none -- 13 voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1132. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Secretary, will you read the bill, please?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1132.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Body. This is the last bill I'll be offering today. This is the fourth shell bill for the appropriation process. I'd urge a favorable consideration.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1132 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 44 voting Aye, none voting No, 11 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senator -- Senator Rauschenberger, for a clarity to the Senate, you will not be calling Senate Bill 1133, 1134, 1135. Is that correct?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

That -- that's correct, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

On the Order of 3rd Reading, page 5, Senator Smith, 1172. Mr. Secretary, will you read the bill?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1172.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH:

This -- thank you, Madam President, and to this Body -- this august Body. I want to say that Senate Bill 1172 is a vehicle bill that appropriates funds for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Public Health. And there is currently nothing controversial in this piece of legislation, but I would like to move the bill for further considerations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further....

SENATOR SMITH:

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Would you please give me your -- your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1172 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Once more. Have all voted who wished? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 27 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 22 voting Present. And this bill, having failed to receive the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared lost. Senate Bill 1180. Senator Trotter. Senator Smith. Postponed?

SENATOR SMITH:

Please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Postponed Consideration.

SENATOR SMITH:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Thank you. Senator Trotter. Seven -- Senate Bill 1180. Are you ready for that, sir? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1180.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1180, like the previous six bills, is a vehicle that we're utilizing for Chicago State University, and I'd like a favorable roll call.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1180 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? On that question - take the record - there are 27 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 23 voting Present. And this bill, having failed to receive the constitutional majority, is hereby declared lost. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been distributed to all of you, so will you please note it. Senate Joint Resolution 19. Senator Maitland. Mr. Secretary, will you read Senate Joint Resolution 19? May we have your attention? This is on the -- the Supplemental Calendar No. 1, on the Order of Secretary's -- Resolution. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 19, offered by Senators Maitland, Philip and others.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Maitland.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Pardon me, Madam President. The...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Is there any amendment?

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19, which was filed by Senator Maitland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Madam President, Members of the Senate.

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You may recall, in the closing days of February, we passed a resolution over to the House that would allow the Pension Laws Commission to go into Executive Session to deal with personnel matters. That bill passed out -- that resolution passed out of here unanimously, went to the House, where it has -- was delayed for -- for some weeks. It is now back with an amendment that extends that date to May 15th, by which time we must go into Executive Session and discuss personnel matters. I -- I know of no opposition; therefore, Madam President, my motion is to concur with -- with Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

This motion requires forty votes. And the question is, shall the Senate concur in the House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that -- Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this Senate Joint Resolution, having received the required number of votes, the Senate does concur in House Amendment 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19. Senator Trotter, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes, Madam President. I would at this time, if I could, take Senate Bill 1180 and put it on Postponed Consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Your motion is in order, and it will be put on...

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

...Smith, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SMITH:

I wanted to make a correction. You voted on SJR 19,

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Maitland's bill, and I was not at my desk to vote. I'd like to be registered as voting Aye. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Your Aye vote will be so noted. Thank you. ...Trotter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TROTTER:

Madam President, I wish to withdraw my motion for Postponed Consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Your request is in order. It'll be withdrawn. Thank you. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 55 and Senate Resolution 56, both offered by Senator Severns and all Members. They're both death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Consent Calendar. We will now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all of 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, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Thank you. Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolution on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor will say Aye. All opposed will say Nay. The motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. Senator Walsh, for what purposed do you arise, sir?

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Madam President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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State your point, sir.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

I would like the Senate to recognize and I'd like to introduce the Kaiser family from Westchester: Craig and Cathy and their children, who are down here to watch the Westchester Grade School District band that's going to be playing in the Rotunda at noon. So I'd like to welcome the Kaisers to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Welcome, the Kaiser family, and enjoy yourself. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 29, offered by Senator Donahue.

(Secretary reads SJR No. 29)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Donahue moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration for adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 29. Those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed will say Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Donahue has moved for the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 29. Those in favor will say Aye. All opposed will say Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The resolution provides -- the resolution's adopted, and it provides that we resume business in this House on Tuesday, April 29, 1997, at 12 noon. Is there any further business to come before the Senate, Mr. Secretary? House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 9, offered by Senator Luechtefeld.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 265, Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 289, Senator Berman.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 381, Senator Carroll.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 533, Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 535, Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 550, Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 729, Senator Butler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 989, offered by Senator Lawrence Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1330, Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1880, Senator O'Daniel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2067, Senator Carroll.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2109, Senator Tom Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2287, Senator Carroll.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 153, by Senator Jacobs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 1843, by Senator Jacobs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not, the -- Senator Butler moves that the Senate stands adjourned until 12 noon, Tuesday, April 29. Have a nice weekend, everyone.

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