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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, and will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Father Pat De Meulemeester, Holy Family Catholic Church, Lincoln, Illinois. Father Pat.

FATHER PAT DE MEULEMEESTER:

(Prayer by Father Pat De Meulemeester)

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 Friday, May 16th; Monday, May 19th; Tuesday, May 20th; Wednesday, May 21st; Thursday, May 22nd; and Friday, May 23rd, in the year 1997, 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 objections, so ordered. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, 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 24.

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Adopted by the House, May 22nd, 1997. It's substantive.

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

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

Senate Bill 54, with House Amendment No. 1.

Passed the House, as amended, May 23rd, 1997.

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to recede from their Amendment No. 1 to a bill of the following title, to wit:

Senate Bill 408.

I am further directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives requests a First Committee of Conference.

We have a -- like Messages on Senate Bills 423, 521, 545, 659, 663, 730, 939 and 1019.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Without objection, the Senate accedes to the request of the House for conference committee reports on those bills just read by the Secretary. Is leave granted? Leave is granted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

I would like to tell the Senate Members to come to the Senate Floor and resume your seats. It would be nice if we could get started. I repeat: I ask the Senate Members to come to the Senate Floor and take your seats, so that we can go about the business of the Senate, timely. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if I may have your attention. We're going to start on page 9 of today's Calendar, which is the Order of the Secretary's Desk, Non-concurrence, House Bills. The intent of the Chair is to proceed to that Order for the purpose of entertaining Motions to Refuse to Recede. Page 9. House Bill 228. Senator Lauzen.

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Senator Lauzen. House Bill 228, on Non-concurrence. Out of the record. House Bill 379. Senator Link. Read the -- read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to refuse to recede from the Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 379 and request that a conference committee be appointed.

The motion, by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, say Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The motion carries, and the Secretary shall so inform the House. House Bill 475. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. Out of the record. House Bill 1230. Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld. House Bill 1230. Out of the record. House Bill 1450. Senator Rauschenberger. Out of the record. House Bill 1651. Senator Cronin. Senator Cronin, on House Bill 1651. Out of the record. House Bill 2215. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going back to page 9. House Bill 229. Senator Philip. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I refuse to recede from Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 229.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, Senator Philip moves that the Senate refuse to recede from adoption of Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 229. All those in favor will say Aye. All opposed will say Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. And the motion carries. The Secretary shall so inform the House. Senate Bill -- rather, House Bill 1230. Senator Luechtefeld. Mr.

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-- Mr. Secretary, read the motion. 1230.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to refuse to recede from Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1230 and request that a conference committee be appointed.

The motion, by Senator Luechtefeld.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, say Nay. The Ayes have it, in the opinion of the Chair. The motion carries. The Secretary shall so inform the House. We're going to resume our business on the Secretary's, Date Non-concurrence -- Desk, rather. Page 9. Senator Rauschenberger, House Bill 475? Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to refuse to recede from Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 475 and request that a conference committee be appointed.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, say Nay. The Ayes have it, in the opinion of the Chair. The motion carries. The Secretary shall so inform the House. House Bill 1171. Senator Rauschenberger? Sorry. All right. Let's go to 1450. Senator Rauschenberger, House Bill 1450? Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to refuse to recede from Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1450 and request that a conference committee be appointed.

The motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye.

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All opposed, say Nay. The Ayes have it. And the motion carries, and the Secretary shall so inform the House. Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President. Can you tell me what kind of action the Senate's going to be doing -- conducting today?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Well, Senator Burzynski, you are at Senator Syverson's desk, so -- are you Senator Syverson today?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Only on one of Senator Syverson's good days.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

We're waiting to hear from some of our Members who have bills on Non-concurrence, if they would arrive and take care of them. Illinois Lawmakers for public TV requests permission to tape for Illinois Lawmakers. Any objection? Hearing none, permission's granted. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we will resume our business, on Secretary's Desk of Non-concurrence. And House Bill 2215. Senator Dillard. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to refuse to recede from Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2215 and request that a conference committee be appointed. The motion, by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, say Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries, and the Secretary shall so inform the House. We ask the Senate to look at page 7, on Secretary's Desk. The bottom of page 7. Senate Resolution 76. Resolutions. Senator Philip. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 76, offered by Senator Philip.

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No committee or Floor amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Resolution 76 creates the Task Force on Comfort Care for the Terminally Ill to study historical and current practices with respect to care provided during the last days of a terminal ill patient. It has an appointment by the four Leaders, two each. The reporting date is January 31, 1998. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? A roll call vote is needed on this resolution. All those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The -- 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 59 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this resolution, having required -- received the required vote, is hereby declared adopted. Is there any further business to come before the -- the Senate? If not... Senator Dudycz, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Yes. Thank you, Madam President. Just on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Point of personal privilege.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

In -- in the President's Gallery, we have some special guests accompanying their son. One of our wonderful staff attorneys, Matt Jones, is -- is up there with his mother and father, and that's Mike and Sandy Jones. And I'd would like for our guests to stand and be recognized.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

We welcome you here to the Senate, Mr. and Mrs. Jones. Any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Peterson moves the Senate stand adjourned until 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 28, 1997. I repeat: 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 28th. Senate stands adjourned.

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